

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

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The steamer Claudine arrived before noon today.

The Thompson Lewis wedding will take place on Monday evening.

Mr and Mrs W R Castle will, on Tuesday evening next, give a reception for their son and his bride.

A nolle prosequi was entered in Circuit Court Thursday in the case of Rudolph Duncan charged with malicious injury.

The steamer Hongkong Maru was docked at the Pacific Mail wharf at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and she left after 8 o'clock this morning for the Coast.

The Grand Jury is still busy in vestigating the criminal cases. After this part is disposed of, then the government official scandals will be taken up.

The Hongkong Maru had a large number of passengers on board of her this trip, ten being for this port. She also brought for here about 900 tons of freight.

Purser Smerson of the Mauna Loa reports the following sugar awaiting shipment on leeward Hawaii: H A Co, 1800; Diamond H, 500, and K S Co, 1000 bags.

There is a Maui delegation in the city, consisting of Representative-elect Sam Kelihoi, T Bennie Lyons, a saloon keeper, and N W Aluli, the young attorney, all of them are from Wailuku.

Among those who came on the Mauna Loa yesterday were: Col Norris, Jas Cowan, F Dorch, J D Cockburn, A Lewis Jr, W W Cross, S Kelihoi, N W Aluli, T B Lyons, H Nahaolelua and many others.

Judge De Bolt granted a divorce Thursday in the case of Harriet Moon Smith vs M M Smith granting the mother the custody of the child, with the proviso that the father could visit her when he so desired.

The reception last night to the new President of Oahu College and his wife was a grand affair. Many called and were entertained by formal and prenent pupils of that institution. The school grounds were lighted up by electricity.

A trust deed made by the Pioneer Mill Co, to the Bank of Hawaii, to secure the bond issue of \$1,250,000, was on Thursday placed of record in the Registry office. The recording fee is over \$100 and the stamps placed upon it amount to \$3,739.

The steamer Mauna Loa brought down the following freight: 7,388 bags sugar, 630 bags coffee, 133 bags taro, 3 bags awa, 29 kegs butter, 138 bunches bananas, 7 cases fruit, 5 barrels poi, 27 bundles hides, 14 pigs, 20 head cattle, 139 packages sundries.

The memorial tablet to commemorate the death of Chas L Carter, who was killed in the revolution of 1895, has been received from San Francisco. The tablet is to be placed over the Carter ward at the Hospital for Incurables, which was endowed from the memorial fund.

The funeral services of the late Mrs Lavinia Kapu will be held at H H Williams' undertaking parlors, where the remains now lay after being embalmed, at 9 o'clock Monday morning. After the services the remains will be taken down by special train leaving at 10 o'clock for interment in the Ford vault at Ewa, near Pearl City.

Five criminal cases, all of Porto Ricans, were disposed of by Judge De Bolt and Juries Thursday. Jose Revaira and Chito, for stealing were found guilty. Manuel Moral, Kamo Martin and Florence Andino, for stealing and stabbing a Japanese, the jury found Andino guilty in a few minutes and acquitted the other two, both boys.

St Clement's Church fair is on this afternoon out on the plains.

The latest election news from Hawaii is that Paris has beaten Desha by one vote.

The Bishop of Honolulu preaches at the evening service tomorrow at St Andrew's Cathedral.

G W R King of the Audit office is now on Maui examining into the books of the special accountants on that island.

Judge De Bolt yesterday granted a divorce to Augusta Russell from Hugh Russell on the ground of non-support.

The Republican party is planning for a big ratification rally with a grand luau on an evening in the near future.

Monday will be reception day at the British Consulate, in honor of the birthday of His Britannic Majesty King Edward VII.

King Reviews Troops From South Africa.

LONDON, Oct 27—King Edward reviewed today nearly 4000 Guardsmen who have recently returned from South Africa. The King afterward addressed the troops, welcoming them home. He praised the work which they had done in the field, saying:

"You have upheld the great name which has made every soldier who has served in the Guards a proud man. I myself feel proud to have as a young man served in your ranks, though I regret I never had the opportunity, like my brother, of seeing active service. A finer body of men it is impossible to wish to see. It is a proud day for me to have inspected the Guards Brigade."

In spite of their arduous duties in South Africa, the King remarked the men had not forgotten their drill, and the march past today was as well done, if not better, than ever before.

The Queen and other ladies of the royal family drove past in carriages. At the conclusion of the ceremony the troops gave hearty cheers for the King.

Venezuelan Forces Still Fighting.

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao, Oct 29—Word has been received here that the town of Carupano, Venezuela, was attacked by revolutionary forces Sunday and Monday of this week. After a hard fight with the Government soldiers, in which the rebels lost one cannon and had a number of men killed and wounded, they retreated. The Government accused the revolutionists of having burned forty-three houses in Carupano. These charges are denied by the revolutionists, who say that the houses in question were burned as a result of the fighting.

MARACAIBO, Venezuela, Oct 29—The Government gunboat Zamora left here this morning with 1000 soldiers on board bound for La Guaira. The troops are to reinforce President Castro, who is still inactive at La Victoria.

Divorce Day in Circuit.

This was divorce day in the Circuit Court. Judge De Bolt granted a separation to the petition of Margaret Wong vs Sam Wong, with \$15 per week alimony and attorney's fee, and given the custody of the child, Emily Alves vs Jose S Alves was dismissed. Other cases were disposed of by postponement to some future day. The Carroll case was stricken from the calendar, the parties having made up.

Weather Report.

The following is the report of Purser Smerson on the last round trip of the Mauna Loa:

Lumpy seas and N E winds along Hamakua coast. Little rain. Smooth seas and moderate N E trade along Kau coast throughout the trip. Little rain. Smooth seas and light N E trade across the channels coming home.

Peculiar Commotion in Arctic Waters

SEATTLE, Oct 29—Arctic whalers report an unusual seismic disturbance that occurred on August 13. The bark Alice Knowler, Captain Montgomery, when at a distance of 200 miles from the Bering Sea coast, off the Kurile Islands, was in the midst of a tremendous commotion. The bark was violently shaken and the captain and crew thought their lives were in danger. The phenomenon occurred in the evening and when the vessel began to pitch about, where a moment before the sea had been as calm as the proverbial mill pond, the crew and captain were thunderstruck. The surface of the sea was boiling like a caldron and a deep detonation was heard from all sides, as if the bottom of the ocean were being burst asunder.

Within a few minutes after the disturbance began the sea had settled down again and the previous calm was resumed. The commotion is said to have resembled a "tide rip" more than anything else, the disturbance passing to the eastward and out of sight. The compasses on the vessel were stopped and the bark was thrown about thirty miles out of her true position.

String of Gamblers Caught.

Detective Kaapa with six police officers made a successful raid last evening of a Chinese gambling joint off Maunakea street, between Hotel and Pauahi streets, and captured 13 Celestials. They were marched down to the Station House and later on released on putting up a \$15 bail for each. Their cases have been put off by Judge Wilcox to Monday morning.

Criminal Mill Grinding Out Cases.

Yesterday six cases were disposed of. Reveira and Chito got two years each. Enoka, who pleaded guilty to petty larceny, got thirty days. David Pihai, who also pleaded guilty to larceny, was suspended to the February term. Ramon Rasque, charged with assault, was found guilty by the jury and got ten days.

U. S. S. New York Here

At 8 o'clock this morning the U S cruiser New York arrived off port, 10 days and 20 hours from Yokohama. She is the flagship of Admiral Frederick Rogers, who is aboard of her. Shortly after her arrival she fired a salute.

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